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THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—" Another hon. Member raised this question yesterday in the debate and I was proposing to refer to this when I spoke in the course of the general discussion of the Budget. I shall tell the hon. Member that it will not be necessarily contiguous to the areas existing already when we extend the scheme to three blocks more next time."

Public contribution for opening high schools.

* 1074 *Q*.—SRI K. ARANGANATHAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state whether any circular has been issued by Government to district boards stating that there should be contributions from the public before granting permission to open new high schools?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" A copy[a] of the instructions issued in the matter is laid on the table of the House."

SRI K. ARANGANATHAN :—" In South Arcot, Gingee taluk is backward in all respects. The people there, are not able to come forward with contribution for opening of high schools there. The district board also is not coming forward for want of funds. Will the Government consider the desirability of helping the district board in opening a high school there? "

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" It will depend upon the finances available to the district board and the hon. Member himself is a member of that district board, and I am sure that he will be able to assess the needs of the area and also the resources available with the district board. I am sure they will be able to arrive at a proper decision in the matter."

SRI S. R. ARUMUGAM :—" கைத்தொழில் கூடிய கல்விதான் கொடுக்கவேண்டும் என்று சர்க்காருடைய திட்டம் இருப்பதால் இனிமேல் ஆரம்பிக்கப்போகும் உயர்தரப்பள்ளிகளில் விவசாயத்திற்கு வேண்டிய நிலங்கள் இருந்தால்தான் அவர்களுக்கு அனுமதி கொடுக்கப்படும் என்று சொல்ல சர்ககார் யோசிப்பார்களா ? "

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" The question of reorganization of secondary education is also under the consideration of the Government. We hope to take a decision in the matter soon during the course of the year."

SRI V. BALAKRISHNAN :—" Will the Government extend this policy relating to high school education also to college education under municipalities which open colleges in places which appear to be superfluous? "

MR. SPEAKER :—" The main question is about high schools. The supplementary question does not arise out of it."

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[a] Printed as Appendix on pages 536–537 infra.